ARIZONA STATE SCHOOLS FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND POSITION DESCRIPTION

POSITION TITLE: VOCATIONAL SERVICES SPECIALIST

(Transition Specialist)

POSITION LOCATION: ASDB

POSITION REPORTS TO: Supervising Teacher (VOC)

POSITION SUPERVISES: None

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Bachelor's Degree in rehabilitation or counseling with specialization in visual or hearing impairment, or a degree in the education of the hearing impaired or visually handicapped; minimum of two years experience with hearing impaired, visually handicapped, or multiply handicapped sensory impaired persons; ability to communicate effectively in writing; certified or certifiable by Arizona Department of Education, National Professional Association, or evidence of credential in field of work

<u>PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS</u>: Master's Degree in one of the above areas; experience in transition programs working with adolescent hearing impaired or visually handicapped individuals; course work or comparable training in transitional services; knowledge of local and statewide agencies, resources, and services available to hearing impaired and/or visually impaired persons.

MAJOR DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: Implements transition services to eligible students; monitors transition activities related to established standards and reviews documented transition plans; participates in individual transition meetings as a team leader and team member; provides follow-along services to recently graduated students; coordinates transition services with home school districts, community agencies, and adult services; provides training and support to students, parents, staff, and adult service agencies; disseminates information regarding transition project activities through parent meetings, staff meetings, and workshops and presentations; attends staff meetings and follows up on recommendations; gathers information about students' home communities and provides this information to appropriate staff; evaluates the program and submits reports; produces materials for students, parents, and staff to assist in implementing transition planning; documents transition planning and educational needs on students' IEPs; reviews individual transition plans and meets with students' principals regarding implementation; maintains records and communicates with team members; adheres to the philosophy and policies of the school; maintains parent contact through the use of written communications or telephone conferences.

<u>KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS</u>: Ability to communicate effectively with hearing impaired and visually handicapped students; ability to travel independently to students' home communities.

<u>SPECIAL CONDITIONS/REQUIREMENTS</u>: Must utilize appropriate personal protective equipment as required.

PAY PLAN: Certified/CS2 GRADE: Open FLSA: Exempt DATE: Revised: 7/2006